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We claim:

## 1. A compound of the formula (I):

$$(R_3)_{g} \xrightarrow{\stackrel{?}{\downarrow}} N = R$$

$$R_2$$

wherein

A is CH or N;

n is 1 or 2;

when n is 1, y is 0 or 2;

when n is 2, y is 0;

g is 1 or 2;

each R<sub>3</sub> is independently hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, or

wherein w is 1, 2, or 3;

R is selected from the group consisting of (a) - (w):

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h)

g) 
$$(P_{10})_0$$

$$(R_{72})_{\rho}$$

$$(R_{72})_{\rho}$$

$$N$$

$$R_{73}$$

s) 
$$(R_{76})_{\rho}$$

t)

$$(R_{78}) = N$$

wherein

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each  $R_4$ ,  $R_5$ ,  $R_6$ ,  $R_7$ ,  $R_8$ ,  $R_9$ ,  $R_{10}$ ,  $R_{11}$ ,  $R_{12}$  and  $R_{18}$  is independently hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl, halogen, trifluoromethyl, - $CO_2C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or - $CH_2OC_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl; each  $R_{71}$ ,  $R_{72}$ ,  $R_{74}$  and  $R_{80}$  is independently hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy, halogen, trifluoromethyl, - $CO_2C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or - $CH_2OC_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;

 $R_{73}$  is hydrogen, alkyl, pyridyl, benzyl, -CH<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>3</sub>, -CO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, phenyl optionally substituted with halogen, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy or  $R_{73}$  is

wherein w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

each  $R_{75}$  is hydrogen, halogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy; each  $R_{76}$  is hydrogen, halogen, -CN or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl; each  $R_{77}$  is hydrogen, halogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy; each  $R_{78}$  hydrogen, halogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy; each  $R_{79}$  hydrogen, halogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy;

p, s and x are 0, 1, or 2; each  $R_{13}$  is independently hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl, halogen, benzyl, trifluoromethyl,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy, nitro, -CN, or -COC<sub>1</sub>- $C_6$ alkyl;

each R<sub>14</sub> and R<sub>15</sub> is independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;
R<sub>17</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, Ar, -COAr, -CONHAr or -SO<sub>2</sub>-Ar wherein
Ar is a phenyl group which is optionally mono- or di-substituted
with substituents independently selected from C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl,
halogen, trifluoromethyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, nitro, CN and COC<sub>1</sub>-

m is 0, 1, or 2;

C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; and

 $R_{16}$  is  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;

$$-\begin{bmatrix} \mathsf{B} - \mathsf{C} \end{bmatrix}$$

represents a group selected from (a) - (f):

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b)

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(d)

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wherein

each  $R_{19}$  and  $R_{20}$  is independently hydrogen, hydroxy or  $C_1\text{-}\ C_6\text{alkyl};$ 

 $R_{21}$ ,  $R_{22}$ , and  $R_{23}$  are each independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_3$  linear alkyl; and d is 3 or 4;

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R<sub>1</sub> is a) hydrogen;

b)  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl optionally mono- or di-substituted with hydroxy; or

c)

wherein

each  $R_{24}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl; each  $R_{25}$ , and  $R_{26}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;

t is 0 or 1; and

q is 0 or 1;

R<sub>2</sub> is a group selected from (a) - (jj):

(a) 
$$-(CH_2)_z$$
  $(CR_{2728e}^R)_z$ 

(b) 
$$(M)_h$$
  $(CR_{29 30u}^R)_{30u}$ 

(d) 
$$-(CR_3R_3)_1$$
  $(R_{64})_n$ 

(e) 
$$-(CR_{35}R_{36})_{j}$$
  $\times$   $(R_{65})_{h}$ 

(f)

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q) 
$$-(CR_{98}R_{99})_{v}$$
  $-(CR_{97}R_{95})_{v}$   $-(CR_{94}R_{95})_{w}$   $-(CR_{94}R_{95})_{w}$   $-(CR_{98}R_{89}R_{89})_{w}$ 

u) 
$$--(CR_{105}R_{106})_w - N - R_{107}$$

bb) 
$$R_{121}$$
  $CR_{119}R_{120}$   $X_3$ 

dd) --- 
$$(CR_{124}R_{125})_{w}N_{H} O - R_{126}$$

ff)
$$--(CR_{130}R_{131})_{w} = S$$

$$---(CR_{130}R_{131})_{w} = S$$

gg)
$$(O)_{aa} (CR_{133}R_{134})_{w} S - (CR_{135}R_{136})_{q} (CR_{135}R_{136})_{q}$$

ii)
$$--(CR_{39}R_{140})_{j} + N$$

wherein

each  $R_{27}$  and  $R_{28}$  is independently selected from:

- (1) hydrogen;
- (2) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;
- (3) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy;
- (4)  $-CO_2$ -R<sub>43</sub> wherein R<sub>43</sub> is hydrogen or  $C_1$ -C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;
- (5) hydroxy;
- (6)  $-(CH_2)_a$ -OR<sub>44</sub> wherein a is 1, 2 or 3 and R<sub>44</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;
- (7) –(CO)-NR<sub>45</sub>R<sub>46</sub>

wherein R<sub>45</sub> and R<sub>46</sub> are each independently hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, or R<sub>45</sub> and R<sub>46</sub> taken together form a 5-membered monocyclic ring;

z is 0 or 1; e is 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 or 7; h is 0, 1, 2 or 3; u is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4;

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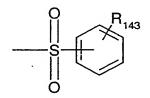
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o is 0 or 1;
I is 0 or 1;
j is 0, 1, 2 or 3;
v is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4;
w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;
f is 1, 2, 3 or 4;
t is 0 or 1 as hereinbefore defined;
b is 0, 1 or 2;
q is 0 or 1 as hereinbefore defined;
aa is 0 or 2;

X is O, S or NR<sub>90</sub> wherein R<sub>90</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, or



wherein R<sub>143</sub> is hydrogen or alkyl;

each M and V is a group independently selected from hydrogen, halogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy, trifluoromethyl, hydroxy, phenyl, phenoxy, -SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub> or

-NR<sub>48</sub>R<sub>49</sub> wherein R<sub>48</sub> and R<sub>49</sub> are each independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl;

each  $R_{31}$ ,  $R_{32}$ ,  $R_{33}$ ,  $R_{34}$ ,  $R_{35}$ ,  $R_{36}$ ,  $R_{37}$ ,  $R_{38}$ ,  $R_{39}$ ,  $R_{40}$ ,  $R_{68}$ , and  $R_{69}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl; each  $R_{29}$ ,  $R_{30}$  is independently hydrogen, phenyl or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;

each  $R_{83}$ ,  $R_{84}$ ,  $R_{86}$ ,  $R_{87}$ ,  $R_{88}$ ,  $R_{89}$ ,  $R_{92}$ ,  $R_{93}$ ,  $R_{98}$ ,  $R_{99}$ ,  $R_{94}$ ,  $R_{95}$ ,  $R_{100}$ ,  $R_{101}$ ,  $R_{103}$ ,  $R_{104}$ ,  $R_{105}$ ,  $R_{106}$ ,  $R_{108}$ ,  $R_{109}$ ,  $R_{110}$ ,  $R_{111}$ ,

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R<sub>113</sub>, R<sub>114</sub>, R<sub>115</sub>, R<sub>116</sub>, R<sub>117</sub>, R<sub>118</sub>, R<sub>119</sub>, R<sub>120</sub>, R<sub>122</sub>, R<sub>123</sub>, R<sub>124</sub>, R<sub>125</sub>, R<sub>127</sub>, R<sub>128</sub>, R<sub>130</sub>, R<sub>131</sub>, R<sub>133</sub>, R<sub>134</sub>, R<sub>135</sub>, R<sub>136</sub>, R<sub>137</sub>, R<sub>138</sub>, R<sub>139</sub> and R<sub>140</sub> is independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; each R<sub>63</sub>, R<sub>64</sub> and R<sub>65</sub> is independently hydrogen, halogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy; each R<sub>66</sub> is independently hydrogen, hydroxy,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy; Q is CH<sub>2</sub>, CHOH or C=O;  $X_5$  is O or S; each R<sub>67</sub> is independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; R<sub>70</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, halogen, nitro or a phenyl group optionally mono-substituted with C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, halogen or trifluoromethyl; R<sub>81</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, or -CO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; R<sub>91</sub> is hydrogen, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy; R<sub>96</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or

wherein  $R_{145}$  and  $R_{146}$  are each independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl and b is 0, 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined;

R<sub>97</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; each R<sub>102</sub> is independently hydrogen, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy; R<sub>107</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; each R<sub>121</sub> is independently hydrogen, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy; R<sub>127</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; R<sub>126</sub> is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or benzyl; R<sub>129</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;  $R_{132}$  is hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl, halogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy;  $X_3$  is O or -NR<sub>127</sub> wherein R<sub>127</sub> is hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;

 $X_4$  is O, S or -NR<sub>143</sub> wherein R<sub>143</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

R<sub>141</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or amino;

 $R_{142}$  is benzyl or phenyl each of which may be optionally substituted with  $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkyl, halogen or  $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkoxy;

R<sub>144</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

 $R_{85}$  is hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl, - $CO_2C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl,  $C(O)C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or a group selected from the following:

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a) 
$$\frac{NH_2}{NH}$$

c) 
$$(CR_{150}R_{151})_{w}$$
  $(CR_{152}R_{153})_{e}$ 

$$g) \\ -- (CR_{162}R_{163m}N) \\ R_{164}$$

wherein

j is 0, 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined; w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined; m is 0, 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined; e is 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 or 7 as hereinbefore defined;

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each  $R_{147}$ ,  $R_{148}$ ,  $R_{150}$ ,  $R_{151}$ ,  $R_{152}$ ,  $R_{153}$ ,  $R_{156}$ ,  $R_{157}$ ,  $R_{159}$ ,  $R_{160}$   $R_{162}$  and  $R_{163}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;

R<sub>149</sub> is hydrogen, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, phenoxy, trifluoromethyl or trifluoromethoxy;

R<sub>155</sub> is hydrogen, halogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

R<sub>158</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

R<sub>161</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

R<sub>164</sub> is hydrogen, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or trifluoromethyl;

R<sub>165</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or halogen;

X<sub>7</sub> is O or S or -NR<sub>167</sub> wherein R<sub>167</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

R<sub>166</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

or  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are joined together to form a 5-, 6-, or 7-membered monocyclic saturated ring, and in which the ring is optionally mono- or di-substituted, the substituents independently selected from:

- (1) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;
- (2)  $-CO_2-(C_1-C_6alkyl)$ ;
- (3) -NR<sub>50</sub>R<sub>51</sub> wherein R<sub>50</sub> and R<sub>51</sub> are each independently hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, or a phenyl group which is optionally mono- or disubstituted with substituents independently selected from C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, halogen or trifluoromethyl;
- (4) -C(O)phenyl wherein the phenyl group is optionally mono- or disubstituted with substituents independently selected from C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, halogen or trifluoromethyl;
- (5) –(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>OR<sub>52</sub> wherein R<sub>52</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl or a phenyl group which is optionally mono- or disubstituted with substituents independently selected from C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, halogen or trifluoromethyl, and m is 0, 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined;
- (6) –NR<sub>54</sub>-COR<sub>53</sub> wherein R<sub>54</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl and R<sub>53</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl;
- (7) = 0;
- (8) -CN;

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$$--(CR_{55}R_{56})_{i}$$

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wherein

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b is 0, 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined;

w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

t is 0 or 1 as hereinbefore defined;

i is 0, 1 or 2;

v is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4 as hereinbefore defined;

k is 0 or 1 as hereinbefore defined;

c are 0, 1 or 2;

R<sub>167</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

each  $R_{55},\,R_{56},\,R_{58},\,R_{59},\,R_{169}$  and  $R_{170}$  is independently

hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

each R<sub>57</sub> is independently hydrogen, halogen or

C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

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each R<sub>60</sub> is independently hydrogen, halogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

 $R_{61}$  and  $R_{62}$  are each independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

R<sub>168</sub> is hydrogen, thienyl or furanyl;

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R<sub>171</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, halogen, trifluoromethyl or trifluoromethoxy;

or  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are joined together to form a group of formula X;

$$-N$$
  $(X)$ 

or R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> are joined together to form the group of formula (Y)

or  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are joined together to form any of the following groups:

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(a) (b) 
$$-N = R_{82}$$
  $(R_{172})_{5}$ 

(c) 
$$Me$$
 (d)  $R_{173}$ 

wherein

g is 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined;

p is 0, 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined;

 $R_{172}$  is hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy;

 $R_{173}$  is hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or phenyl optionally mono- or disubstituted with  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or halogen; and

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{R}}_{82}$  is a substituent selected from the following groups:

- (a) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl optionally substituted with hydroxy;
- (b) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkenyl;
- (c) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy;
- (d) -(CH<sub>2</sub>)OC<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;
- (e)

$$-X_8$$
 $(R_{174})_j$ 
wherein  $X_8$  is  $-(CR_{175}R_{176}R_{176})_h$  or  $-(CR_{177}=CR_{188})_h$ 

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wherein each  $R_{174}$  is independently hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl, halogen, trifluoromethyl,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy or benzyloxy; h is 0, 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined; each  $R_{175}$ ,  $R_{176}$ ,  $R_{177}$  and  $R_{178}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl; and j is 0, 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

$$(O)_{aa}$$
 $-S - X_{9}$ 

wherein  $X_{9}$  is  $-(CR_{180}R_{181}^{-})_{-j}$  or

 $-(CR_{184}R_{185}CR_{186} = CR_{187})$  or

 $-(CR_{182} = CR_{183})$ 

(f)

wherein

aa is 0 or 2 as hereinbefore defined;  $R_{179}$  is hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl, halogen, trifluoromethyl,

 $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy, benzyloxy or phenyl; each  $R_{180}$ ,  $R_{181}$ ,  $R_{182}$ ,  $R_{183}$ ,  $R_{184}$ ,  $R_{185}$ ,  $R_{186}$ and  $R_{187}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;

j is 0, 1, 2, or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

wherein w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

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each  $R_{188}$  and  $R_{189}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;

(h)

$$--(CR_{191}R_{192})_{b}$$

wherein

i is 0, 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined; each R<sub>190</sub> is independently hydrogen, alkyl or halogen; b is 0, 1, or 2 as hereinbefore defined; each R<sub>191</sub> and R<sub>192</sub> is independently

(i)

$$-(CR_{193}R_{194})_a$$

hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

wherein

a is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined; each R<sub>193</sub> and R<sub>194</sub> is independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; R<sub>195</sub> is hydrogen, halogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

(j)

$$--(CR_{196}R_{197_b})$$
  $(CR_{198}R_{199})_e$ 

wherein

e is 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6 as hereinbefore defined; b is 0, 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined;

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(I)

$$---(CR_{200}R_{201})_{w}$$
  $N$   $---- OC_{1}$   $-C_{6}$  alkyl

each R<sub>196</sub> and R<sub>197</sub> is independently

each R<sub>198</sub> and R<sub>199</sub> is independently

hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

wherein

each  $R_{200}$  and  $R_{201}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl; w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

(m)

$$---(CR_{202}R_{203})_{w} ---NR_{204}R_{203}$$

wherein

each  $R_{202}$ ,  $R_{203}$ ,  $R_{204}$  and  $R_{205}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl; and w is 1, 2 or 3 is as hereinbefore defined;

(n)

wherein

C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl is optionally substituted with hydroxy;

each R<sub>206</sub> and R<sub>207</sub> is independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; and w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

(o) 
$$-(CR_{208}R_{209}) -NR_{210}R_{211}$$

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wherein

each R<sub>208</sub>, R<sub>209</sub>, R<sub>210</sub> and R<sub>211</sub> is independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

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(p)

with the proviso that when n is 1; and y is 0; and R<sub>3</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; and

$$-\left\{ B\right\}$$

is group (a);

and R is group:

(a) wherein R<sub>4</sub> is hydrogen, halogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, and R<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen or unsubstituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl,

then R<sub>2</sub> cannot be a group of the following formula:

- (a) wherein z is 0,
- (b) wherein u is 0 and M is hydrogen, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, or trifluoromethyl,
- (c) wherein o is 0,
- (d) wherein I is 0,
- (e) wherein j is 0,

(i);

(g) wherein v is 0, or

and also when R is the group of formula (a), R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> cannot be joined together to form the group of formula Y or a 5-, 6-, or 7-membered monocyclic ring wherein said ring is unsubstituted or mono- or disubstituted with C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

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- (b) and R<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen or unsubstituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, then R<sub>2</sub> cannot be a group of the following formula:
  - (a),
  - (b),
  - (c) wherein o is 0,
  - (d) wherein I is 0,
  - (i),
  - (k),
  - (I), or
  - (m) wherein Q is CH<sub>2</sub>;

and also when R is the group of formula (b),  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  cannot be joined together to form a group of formula X or a group of formula Y or a 5-, 6-, or 7-membered monocyclic ring

wherein said ring is unsubstituted or mono- or di-substituted with C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or

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- (c) and  $R_1$  is hydrogen or unsubstituted  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl, then  $R_2$  cannot be a group of the following formula:
  - (c) wherein o is 0,
  - (d) wherein I is 0, or
  - (i);
- (d) and R<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen or unsubstituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, then R<sub>2</sub> cannot be a group of the following formula:
- 30 (a),
  - (b) wherein u is 1,
  - (c) wherein o is 0,

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- (d),
- (i),
- (k),
- (I), or
- (m) wherein Q is CH<sub>2</sub>;

and also when R is the group of formula (d),  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  cannot be joined together to form a group of formula X or a group of formula Y or a 5-, 6-, or 7-membered monocyclic ring

wherein said ring is unsubstituted or mono- or di-substituted with  $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkyl or

(e) and R<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen or unsubstituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, then R<sub>2</sub> cannot be a group of the following formula:

- (a),
- (b),
- (c) wherein o is 0,
- (d),
- (i),
- (k),
- (I), or
- (m) wherein Q is CH2;

and also when R is the group of formula (e),  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  cannot be joined together to form a group of formula X or a group of formula Y or a 5-, 6-, or 7-membered monocyclic ring

wherein said ring is unsubstituted or mono- or di-substituted with  $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkyl or

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- (f) and R<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen or unsubstituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, then R<sub>2</sub> cannot be a group of the following formula:
  - (a),
  - (b),
  - (c) wherein o is 0,
  - (d),
  - (i),
  - (k),
  - (I), or
  - (m) wherein Q is CH<sub>2</sub>;

and also when R is the group of formula (f),  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  cannot be joined together to form a group of formula X or a group of formula Y or a 5-, 6-, or 7-membered monocyclic ring

wherein said ring is unsubstituted or mono- or di-substituted with  $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkyl or

- (g) and R₁ is hydrogen or unsubstituted C₁-C₀alkyl, then R₂ cannot be a group of the following formula:
  - (a),
  - (b) wherein u is1,
  - (c) wherein o is 0,
  - (d),
  - (i),

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(k),

- (I), or
- (m) wherein Q is CH<sub>2</sub>;

and also when R is the group of formula (g),  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  cannot be joined together to form a group of formula X or a group of formula Y or a 5-, 6-, or 7-membered monocyclic ring

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wherein said ring is unsubstituted or mono- or di-substituted with  $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkyl or

(h) and R<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen or unsubstituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, then R<sub>2</sub> cannot be a group of the following formula:

- (a),
- (b),
- (c) wherein o is 0,
- (d),
- (i),
- (k),
- (l), or
- (m) wherein Q is CH<sub>2</sub>;

and also when R is the group of formula (h),  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  cannot be joined together to form a group of formula X or a group of formula Y or a 5-, 6-, or 7-membered monocyclic ring

wherein said ring is unsubstituted or mono- or di-substituted with  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or

$$(CR_{58}R_{59})_{k}$$
 ; or

(i), then R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> cannot be joined together to form a group of formula Y or a 5-, 6-, or 7-membered monocyclic ring

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wherein said ring is unsubstituted or mono- or di-substituted with C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl.

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- The compound of claim 1 wherein R is group (a). 2.
- 3. The compound of claim 2 wherein R<sub>4</sub> is halogen or CF<sub>3</sub>.
- 4. The compound of claim 3 wherein  $R_2$  is group (a).
- 5. The compound of claim 4 wherein z is 0 or 1;
- : 15 e is 5 and each R<sub>27</sub> and R<sub>28</sub> is independently selected from hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl.
  - 6. The compound of claim 3 wherein R<sub>2</sub> is group (b).
  - The compound of claim 6 wherein M is hydrogen, C₁-C₅alkoxy or C₁-C₅alkyl and u is 0 7. or 1.
  - 8. The compound of claim 3 wherein  $R_2$  is group (n).
- The compound of claim 8 wherein  $R_{70}$  is hydrogen and f is 3. 20 9.
  - The compound of claim 1 wherein R is group (k). 10.
  - 11. The compound of claim 10 wherein R<sub>12</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, or -CH<sub>2</sub>OC<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl.
  - 12. The compound of claim 11 wherein wherein R<sub>2</sub> is group (a).
  - 13. The compound of claim 12 wherein z is 0 or 1;
- 25 e is 5 and each R<sub>27</sub> and R<sub>28</sub> is independently selected from hydrogen or C1-C6alkyl.
  - 14. The compound of claim 11 wherein R<sub>2</sub> is group (b).
  - 15. The compound of claim 14 wherein M is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl and u is 0 or 1.
  - 16. The compound of claim 11 wherein  $R_2$  is group (n).
- 17. The compound of claim 17 wherein R<sub>70</sub> is hydrogen and f is 3. 30
  - 18. The compound of claim 1 which is 2-[4-(6-trifluoromethyl-benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl)piperazin-1-ylmethyl]-trans-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid (trans-4-ethyl-cyclohexyl)-amide.

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- 19 The compound of claim 1 which is 2-[4-(2,4-dimethyl-phenyl)-piperazin-1-ylmethyl]-(2R, 3R)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid (trans-4-ethyl-cyclohexyl)-amide.
- The compound of claim 1 which is 2-[4-(chloro-trifluoromethyl-pyridin-2-yl)-piperazin-20. 1-ylmethyl]-(2R, 3R)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid (trans-4-ethyl-cyclohexyl)-amide.
- 21. The compound of claim 1 which is 2-[4-(2,5-dimethyl-phenyl)-piperazin-1-ylmethyl]-(2R, 3R)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid (trans-4-ethyl-cyclohexyl)-amide.
- The compound of claim 1 which is 2-[4-(6-trifluoromethyl-benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl)-22. piperazin-1-ylmethyl]-(2R, 3R)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid (trans-4-methyl-cyclohexyl)amide.
  - The compound of claim 1 which is 2-(4-thieno[2,3-d]isoxazol-3-yl-piperidin-1-23. ylmethyl)-(2R, 3R)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid (trans-4-methyl-cyclohexyl)-amide.
  - 24. The compound of claim 1 which is 2-[4-o-tolyl-piperazin-1-ylmethyl]-(2R, 3R)cyclopropanecarboxylic acid (trans-4-ethyl-cyclohexyl)-amide.
  - The compound of claim 1 which is 4-[4-(6-fluoro-benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl)-piperazin-1-25. vI]-N-(trans-4-methyl-cyclohexyl)-butyramide.
  - 26. The compound of claim 1 which is 2-(4-thieno[2,3-d]isoxazol-3-yl-piperidin-1ylmethyl)-(2R, 3R)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid (3-imidazol-1-yl-propyl)-amide.
  - The compound of claim 1 which is 2-(4-thieno[2,3-d]isoxazol-3-yl-piperazin-1-27. ylmethyl)-(2R, 3R)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid (trans-4-methyl-cyclohexyl)-amide.
- 28. The compound of claim 1 which is 2R-[4-(1-Methyl-1H-thieno[3,2-c]pyrazol-3-30 yl)-piperazin-1-ylmethyl]-cyclopropane-1R-carboxylic trans-(4-methyl-cyclohexyl)amide.
  - The compound of claim 1' which is 2R-[4-(5-Trifluoromethyl-benzo[d]isoxazol-29. 3-yl)-piperidin-1-ylmethyl]- cyclopropane-1R-carboxylic acid trans-(4-methylcyclohexyl)-amide.

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- 30. The compound of claim 1 which is (3S-Imidazol-1-ylmethyl-piperidin-1-yl)-{2R-[4-(7-methoxy-benzo[d]isoxazol-3-yl)-piperidin-1-ylmethyl]-1R-cyclopropyl}-methanone.
- 31. The compound of claim 1 which is 2R-[4-(1-Methyl-7-trifluoromethyl-1H-indazol-3-yl)-piperidin-1-ylmethyl]-1R-cycloproanecarboxylic acid (3-imidazol-1-yl-propyl)-amide.
- The compound of claim 1 which is (3S-Imidazol-1-ylmethyl-piperidin-1-yl)-{2R-[4-(7-trifluoromethyl-benzo[d]isoxazol-3-yl)-piperidin-1-ylmethyl]-1R-cyclopropyl}-methanone.
  - 33. The compound of claim 1 which is 2R-[4-(7-Trifluoromethyl-benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl)-piperidin-1-ylmethyl]-1R-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid (trans-4-methyl-cyclohexyl)-amide.
  - The compound of claim 1 which is (3S-Imidazol-1-ylmethyl-piperidin-1-yl)-{2R-[4-(1-methyl-6-trifluoromethyl-1H-indazol-3-yl)-piperidin-1-ylmethyl]-1R-cyclopropyl}-methanone.
  - 35. The compound of claim 1 which is 2R-[4-(6-Trifluoromethyl-benzo[d]isoxazol-3-yl)-piperidin-1-ylmethyl]-1R-cycloproanecarboxylic acid (3-imidazol-1-yl-propyl)-amide.
  - 36. The compound of claim 1 which is (3S-Imidazol-1-ylmethyl-piperidin-1-yl)-{2R-[4-(6-trifluoromethyl-benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl)-piperidin-1-ylmethyl]-1R-cyclopropyl}-methanone.
- 37. The compound of claim 1 which is 2R-[4-(6-Fluoro-7-methoxy-benzo[d]isoxazol-3-yl)-piperidin-1-ylmethyl]-1R-cyclopranecarboxylic acid (trans-4-methyl-cyclohexyl)-amide.

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- 38. The compound of claim 1 which is 2R-[4-(1-Methyl-1H-thieno[3,2-c]pyrazol-3-yl)-piperidin-1-ylmethyl]-1R-cycloproanecarboxylic acid (3-imidazol-1-yl-propyl)-amide.
- 39. The compound of claim 1 which is 2R-{4-[1-(2,2,2-Trifluoro-ethyl)-1H- thieno[3,2-c]pyrazol-3-yl)-piperidin-1-ylmethyl]-1R-cycloproanecarboxylic acid (3-imidazol-1-yl-propyl)-amide.
- 40. The compound of claim 1 which is 2R-(4-Thieno[2,3-d]isoxazol-3-yl-piperazin-1-ylmethyl)-1R-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid (3-imidazol-1-yl-propyl)-amide
- 41. The compound of claim 1 which is 2R-(4-Benzo[b]thiophen-2-yl-piperidin-1-ylmethyl)-1R-cyclopranecarboxylic acid (trans-4-methyl-cyclohexyl)-amide.
- 42. The compound of claim 1 which is 2R-[4-(5,6-Dihydro-4H-imidazo[4,5,1-ij]quinolin-2-yl)-piperazin-1-ylmethyl]-1R-cyclopranecarboxylic acid (trans-4-methyl-cyclohexyl)-amide.
- 43. The compound of claim 1 which is 2R-(4-Thieno[2,3-b]pyridin-3-yl-piperazin-1-ylmethyl)-1R-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid (3-imidazol-1-yl-propyl)-amide
  - The compound of claim 1 which is 1-{2-[4-(6-Trifluoromethyl-benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl)-piperazin-1-yl]-ethyl}-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid (3-imidazol-1-yl-propyl)-amide.
  - 45. A method of modulating the activity of dopamine D<sub>3</sub> receptors, said method comprising: contacting cell-associated dopamine D<sub>3</sub> receptors with a concentration of a compound of formula IB, or a physiologically acceptable salt thereof, sufficient to modulate the activity of said dopamine D<sub>3</sub> receptor wherein said compound of formula IB has the structure:

wherein

A is CH or N;

n is 1 or 2;

when n is 1, y is 0 or 2;

when n is 2, y is 0;

g is 1 or 2;

each  $R_3$  is independently hydrogen,  $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkyl, or

wherein w is 1, 2, or 3;

R is selected from the group consisting of (a) - (w):

f)

h)

$$d) \qquad \bigvee_{N} (R)_{p}$$

$$(R_{72})_{p}$$

$$(R_{72})_{p}$$

$$N$$

$$R_{73}$$

s) 
$$(R_{76})_{p}$$

$$(P_{y})_{p} = O$$

$$(R_{78}) \longrightarrow N$$

## wherein

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each  $R_4$ ,  $R_5$ ,  $R_6$ ,  $R_7$ ,  $R_8$ ,  $R_9$ ,  $R_{10}$ ,  $R_{11}$ ,  $R_{12}$  and  $R_{18}$  is independently hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl, halogen, trifluoromethyl, - $CO_2C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or - $CH_2OC_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl; each  $R_{71}$ ,  $R_{72}$ ,  $R_{74}$  and  $R_{80}$  is independently hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy, halogen, trifluoromethyl, - $CO_2C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or - $CH_2OC_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;

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 $R_{73}$  is hydrogen, alkyl, pyridyl, benzyl,  $-CH_2CF_3$ ,  $-CO_2C_1-C_6$ alkyl, phenyl optionally substituted with halogen, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy or  $R_{73}$  is

wherein w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

each R<sub>75</sub> is hydrogen, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy; each R<sub>76</sub> is hydrogen, halogen, -CN or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; each R<sub>77</sub> is hydrogen, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy; each R<sub>78</sub> hydrogen, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy; each R<sub>79</sub> hydrogen, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy; p, s and x are 0, 1, or 2; each R<sub>13</sub> is independently hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, halogen, benzyl, trifluoromethyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, nitro, -CN, or -COC<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; R<sub>16</sub> is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; each R<sub>14</sub> and R<sub>15</sub> is independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; R<sub>17</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, Ar, -COAr, -CONHAr or -SO<sub>2</sub>-Ar wherein Ar is a phenyl group which is optionally mono- or di-substitute

Ar is a phenyl group which is optionally mono- or di-substituted with substituents independently selected from C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, halogen, trifluoromethyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, nitro, CN and COC<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; and

m is 0, 1, or 2;

$$-\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C} \end{bmatrix}$$

represents a group selected from (a) - (f):

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b)

(c)

(d)

(e)

**(**f)

wherein

each  $R_{19}$  and  $R_{20}$  is independently hydrogen, hydroxy or  $C_{1}$ -C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

 $\ensuremath{R_{21}},\ \ensuremath{R_{22}},\ \ensuremath{\text{and}}\ \ensuremath{R_{23}}$  are each independently hydrogen or  $C_1\text{-}C_3$ linear alkyl; and d is 3 or 4;

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R<sub>1</sub> is a) hydrogen;

b) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl optionally mono- or di-substituted with hydroxy; or

c)

wherein

each  $R_{24}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl; each  $R_{25}$ , and  $R_{26}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;

t is 0 or 1; and

q is 0 or 1;

R<sub>2</sub> is a group selected from (a) - (jj):

(a) 
$$--(CH_2)_z - (CR_2R_1)_z$$

(b) 
$$(M)_h$$
  $(CR_{2930u}^{R})_{30u}$ 

(c) 
$$-(CR_3R_3)$$
  $(R_{63})_h$ 

(d) 
$$-(CR_{33}R_{3})_{1}$$
  $(R_{64})_{h}$ 

(e) 
$$(CR_{35}R_{36})_{j}$$
  $(R_{65})_{h}$ 

(f)

(g)

(h)

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(i)

15 (j)

20 (k)

(l)

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(m)

(n) 15

q) 
$$-(CR_{98}R_{99})$$
  $N$   $R_{85}$   $R_{97}$ 

s) 
$$(O)_{aa}$$
  $R_{101}$   $R_{102}$ 

x)

u) 
$$-(CR_{105}R_{106})_{w}N-R_{107}$$

z) 
$$(CR_{115}R_{116})_f$$
  $R_{144}$ 

cc) 
$$(CR_{122}R_{123}WN)^{R_{127}}$$

dd) --- 
$$(CR_{124}R_{125})_{w}N_{H} O - R_{126}$$

gg)
$$--(CR_{133}R_{134w}-S-(CR_{135}R_{136})_{q}$$
 $X_{4}$ 

ii)
$$--(CR_{39}R_{140}) = N$$

wherein

each  $R_{27}$  and  $R_{28}$  is independently selected from:

- (8) hydrogen;
- (9) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;
- (10)  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy;
- (11)  $-CO_2$ -R<sub>43</sub> wherein R<sub>43</sub> is hydrogen or  $C_1$ -C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;
- (12) hydroxy;
- (13)  $-(CH_2)_a$ -OR<sub>44</sub> wherein a is 1, 2 or 3 and R<sub>44</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;
- (14) -(CO)-NR<sub>45</sub>R<sub>46</sub>
  wherein R<sub>45</sub> and R<sub>46</sub> are each independently hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, or R<sub>45</sub> and R<sub>46</sub> taken together form a 5-membered monocyclic ring;

z is 0 or 1; e is 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 or 7; h is 0, 1, 2 or 3; u is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4;

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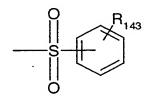
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o is 0 or 1;
I is 0 or 1;
j is 0, 1, 2 or 3;
v is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4;
w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;
f is 1, 2, 3 or 4;
t is 0 or 1 as hereinbefore defined;
b is 0, 1 or 2;
q is 0 or 1as hereinbefore defined;

X is O, S or NR<sub>90</sub> wherein R<sub>90</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, or



aa is 0 or 2;

wherein R<sub>143</sub> is hydrogen or alkyl;

each M and V is a group independently selected from hydrogen, halogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy, trifluoromethyl, hydroxy, phenyl, phenoxy, -SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub> or

; or

-NR<sub>48</sub>R<sub>49</sub> wherein R<sub>48</sub> and R<sub>49</sub> are each independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl;

each  $R_{31}$ ,  $R_{32}$ ,  $R_{33}$ ,  $R_{34}$ ,  $R_{35}$ ,  $R_{36}$ ,  $R_{37}$ ,  $R_{38}$ ,  $R_{39}$ ,  $R_{40}$ ,  $R_{68}$ , and  $R_{69}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl; each  $R_{29}$ ,  $R_{30}$  is independently hydrogen, phenyl or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;

each  $R_{83}$ ,  $R_{84}$ ,  $R_{86}$ ,  $R_{87}$ ,  $R_{88}$ ,  $R_{89}$ ,  $R_{92}$ ,  $R_{93}$ ,  $R_{98}$ ,  $R_{99}$ ,  $R_{94}$ ,  $R_{95}$ ,  $R_{100}$ ,  $R_{101}$ ,  $R_{103}$ ,  $R_{104}$ ,  $R_{105}$ ,  $R_{106}$ ,  $R_{108}$ ,  $R_{109}$ ,  $R_{110}$ ,  $R_{111}$ ,

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 $R_{113}$ ,  $R_{114}$ ,  $R_{115}$ ,  $R_{116}$ ,  $R_{117}$ ,  $R_{118}$ ,  $R_{119}$ ,  $R_{120}$ ,  $R_{122}$ ,  $R_{123}$ ,  $R_{124}$ ,  $R_{125}$ ,  $R_{127}$ ,  $R_{128}$ ,  $R_{130}$ ,  $R_{131}$ ,  $R_{133}$ ,  $R_{134}$ ,  $R_{135}$ ,  $R_{136}$ ,  $R_{137}$ ,  $R_{138}$ ,  $R_{139}$  and  $R_{140}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl; each  $R_{63}$ ,  $R_{64}$  and  $R_{65}$  is independently hydrogen, halogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy;

each R<sub>66</sub> is independently hydrogen, hydroxy,

 $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy;

Q is CH<sub>2</sub>, CHOH or C=O;

X<sub>5</sub> is O or S;

each  $R_{67}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;  $R_{70}$  is hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl, halogen, nitro or a phenyl group optionally mono-substituted with  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl, halogen or trifluoromethyl;

 $R_{81}$  is hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl, or - $CO_2C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;  $R_{91}$  is hydrogen, halogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or

wherein  $R_{145}$  and  $R_{146}$  are each independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl and b is 0, 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined;

R<sub>97</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; each R<sub>102</sub> is independently hydrogen, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy; R<sub>107</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; each R<sub>121</sub> is independently hydrogen, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy; R<sub>127</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; R<sub>126</sub> is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or benzyl; R<sub>129</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

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 $R_{132}$  is hydrogen,  $C_1\text{-}C_6$  alkyl, halogen or  $C_1\text{-}C_6$  alkoxy;  $X_3 \text{ is O or -NR}_{127} \text{ wherein } R_{127} \text{ is hydrogen or } \\ C_1\text{-}C_6$  alkyl;

 $X_4$  is O, S or -NR<sub>143</sub> wherein R<sub>143</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

R<sub>141</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or amino;

 $R_{142}$  is benzyl or phenyl each of which may be optionally substituted with  $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkyl, halogen or  $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkoxy;

R<sub>144</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

 $R_{85}$  is hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl, - $CO_2$ C<sub>1</sub>- $C_6$ alkyl, C(O)C<sub>1</sub>- $C_6$ alkyl or a group selected from the following:

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c) 
$$(CR_{150}R_{151})_{w}$$
  $(CR_{152}R_{153})_{e}$ 

g) 
$$--(CR_{162}R_{163_{m}}R_{N})$$

wherein

j is 0, 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined; w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined; m is 0, 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined; e is 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 or 7 as hereinbefore defined; each  $R_{147}$ ,  $R_{148}$ ,  $R_{150}$ ,  $R_{151}$ ,  $R_{152}$ ,  $R_{153}$ ,  $R_{156}$ ,  $R_{157}$ ,  $R_{159}$ ,  $R_{160}$   $R_{162}$  and  $R_{163}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;

R<sub>149</sub> is hydrogen, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, phenoxy, trifluoromethyl or trifluoromethoxy;

R<sub>155</sub> is hydrogen, halogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

R<sub>158</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

R<sub>161</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

R<sub>164</sub> is hydrogen, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or trifluoromethyl;

R<sub>165</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or halogen;

X<sub>7</sub> is O or S or -NR<sub>167</sub> wherein R<sub>167</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

R<sub>166</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

or  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are joined together to form a 5-, 6-, or 7-membered monocyclic saturated ring, and in which the ring is optionally mono- or di-substituted, the substituents independently selected from:

- (1) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;
- (9)  $-CO_2$ -( $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl);
- (10) -NR<sub>50</sub>R<sub>51</sub> wherein R<sub>50</sub> and R<sub>51</sub> are each independently hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, or a phenyl group which is optionally mono- or disubstituted with substituents independently selected from C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, halogen or trifluoromethyl;
- (11) -C(O)phenyl wherein the phenyl group is optionally mono- or disubstituted with substituents independently selected from C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, halogen or trifluoromethyl;
- (12) –(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>OR<sub>52</sub> wherein R<sub>52</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl or a phenyl group which is optionally mono- or disubstituted with substituents independently selected from C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, halogen or trifluoromethyl, and m is 0, 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined;
- (13)  $-NR_{54}$ -COR<sub>53</sub> wherein R<sub>54</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl and R<sub>53</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl;
- (14) = 0;
- (15) -CN;

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$$-(CR_{55}R_{56})_{i}$$

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wherein

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v is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4 as hereinbefore defined; k is 0 or 1 as hereinbefore defined; c are 0, 1 or 2; R<sub>167</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; each R<sub>55</sub>, R<sub>56</sub>, R<sub>58</sub>, R<sub>59</sub>, R<sub>169</sub> and R<sub>170</sub> is independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; each R<sub>57</sub> is independently hydrogen, halogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; each R<sub>60</sub> is independently hydrogen, halogen or

b is 0, 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined; w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

t is 0 or 1 as hereinbefore defined;

$$-0$$

i is 0, 1 or 2;

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C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

R<sub>61</sub> and R<sub>62</sub> are each independently hydrogen or

C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

R<sub>168</sub> is hydrogen, thienyl or furanyl;

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R<sub>171</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, halogen, trifluoromethyl or trifluoromethoxy;

or R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> are joined together to form a group of formula X;

$$-N$$
  $(X)$ 

or R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> are joined together to form the group of formula (Y)

$$-N$$
 $CH_3$ 
 $CH_3$ 

or  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are joined together to form any of the following groups:

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(a) (b) 
$$-N \longrightarrow N \longrightarrow (R_{172})_F$$

wherein

g is 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined;

p is 0, 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined;

 $R_{172}$  is hydrogen,  $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkyl or  $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkoxy;

 $R_{173}$  is hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or phenyl optionally mono- or disubstituted with  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or halogen; and

R<sub>82</sub> is a substituent selected from the following groups:

- (a) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl optionally substituted with hydroxy;
- (b) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkenyl;
- (c) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy;
- (d)  $-(CH_2)OC_1-C_6$ alkyl;
- (e)

$$-X_8$$
 $(R_{174})_j$ 
wherein  $X_8$  is -(CR<sub>175</sub>R<sub>76</sub> or ----(CR<sub>177</sub>=CR<sub>188</sub>)

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wherein each R<sub>174</sub> is independently hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, halogen, trifluoromethyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy or benzyloxy; h is 0, 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined; each R<sub>175</sub>, R<sub>176</sub>, R<sub>177</sub> and R<sub>178</sub> is independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; and j is 0, 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

$$R_{179}$$
 $S - X_9$ 

wherein  $X_9$  is -( $CR_{180}R_{18}$ )- or

 $CR_{184}R_{185}CR_{186} = CR_{187}$ ) or

 $CR_{182} = CR_{183}$ 

(f)

wherein

aa is 0 or 2 as hereinbefore defined;  $R_{179}$  is hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl, halogen, trifluoromethyl,

 $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy, benzyloxy or phenyl; each  $R_{180}$ ,  $R_{181}$ ,  $R_{182}$ ,  $R_{183}$ ,  $R_{184}$ ,  $R_{185}$ ,  $R_{186}$ and  $R_{187}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;

j is 0, 1, 2, or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

wherein w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

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each R<sub>188</sub> and R<sub>189</sub> is independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

(h)

$$--(CR_{191}R_{192})_{b}$$

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wherein

i is 0, 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined; each R<sub>190</sub> is independently hydrogen, alkyl or halogen; b is 0, 1, or 2 as hereinbefore defined; each R<sub>191</sub> and R<sub>192</sub> is independently

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$$-(CR_{193}R_{194})_a$$

hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

wherein

a is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined; each R<sub>193</sub> and R<sub>194</sub> is independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; R<sub>195</sub> is hydrogen, halogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

(j)

wherein

e is 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6 as hereinbefore defined; b is 0, 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined;

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each  $R_{196}$  and  $R_{197}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alky!; each  $R_{198}$  and  $R_{199}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alky!;

(k) N

(m)

(n)

(I)  $H O = CR_{200}R_{201}W - N - C_{6}$  alkyl

wherein

each R<sub>200</sub> and R<sub>201</sub> is independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

--- (CR<sub>202</sub>R<sub>203</sub>)<sub>w</sub> NR<sub>204</sub>R<sub>205</sub>

wherein
each R<sub>202</sub>, R<sub>203</sub>, R<sub>204</sub> and R<sub>205</sub> is
independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; and
w is 1, 2 or 3 is as hereinbefore defined;

---(CR<sub>206</sub>R<sub>207</sub>) --- OC<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl

wherein

C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl is optionally substituted with hydroxy;

each R<sub>206</sub> and R<sub>207</sub> is independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; and w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

(o)  $---(CR_{208}R_{209}) ---NR_{210}R_{211}$ 

wherein each  $R_{208}$ ,  $R_{209}$ ,  $R_{210}$  and  $R_{211}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl; w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

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46. A method of treating conditions or disorders of the central nervous system comprising administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula IA, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof wherein said compound of formula IA has the structure:

$$(R_3)_g$$
 $R$ 
 $(R_3)_g$ 
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 $(R_3)_g$ 
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wherein

A is CH or N; n is 1 or 2; when n is 1, y is 0 or 2; when n is 2, y is 0; g is 1 or 2;  $each R_3 is independently hydrogen, C_1\text{-}C_6 alkyl, or$ 

wherein w is 1, 2, or 3;

R is selected from the group consisting of (a) - (w):

f)

j)

$$d) \qquad \bigvee_{N} (R)_{p}$$

$$(R_{72})_p$$
 $N$ 
 $R_{73}$ 

$$(R_{r})_{p}$$

## wherein

each  $R_4$ ,  $R_5$ ,  $R_6$ ,  $R_7$ ,  $R_8$ ,  $R_9$ ,  $R_{10}$ ,  $R_{11}$ ,  $R_{12}$  and  $R_{18}$  is independently hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl, halogen, trifluoromethyl, - $CO_2C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;

t)

each  $R_{71}$ ,  $R_{72}$ ,  $R_{74}$  and  $R_{80}$  is independently hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy, halogen, trifluoromethyl, - $CO_2C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or - $CH_2OC_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;

R<sub>73</sub> is hydrogen, alkyl, pyridyl, benzyl, -CH<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>3</sub>, -CO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, phenyl optionally substituted with halogen, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy or R<sub>73</sub> is

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wherein w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

each R<sub>75</sub> is hydrogen, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy; each R<sub>76</sub> is hydrogen, halogen, -CN or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; each R<sub>77</sub> is hydrogen, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy; each R<sub>78</sub> hydrogen, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy; each R<sub>79</sub> hydrogen, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy; p, s and x are 0, 1, or 2;

each  $R_{13}$  is independently hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl, halogen, benzyl, trifluoromethyl,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy, nitro, -CN, or -COC<sub>1</sub>- $C_6$ alkyl;  $R_{16}$  is  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;

each  $R_{14}$  and  $R_{15}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;  $R_{17}$  is hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl, Ar, -COAr, -CONHAr or -SO<sub>2</sub>-Ar wherein Ar is a phenyl group which is optionally mono- or di-substituted with substituents independently selected from  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl, halogen, trifluoromethyl,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy, nitro, CN and COC<sub>1</sub>- $C_6$ alkyl; and

m is 0, 1, or 2;

$$- \begin{bmatrix} \mathsf{B} - \mathsf{C} \end{bmatrix}$$

represents a group selected from (a) - (f):

(c)

(d)

(e)

(f)

wherein

each  $R_{19}$  and  $R_{20}$  is independently hydrogen, hydroxy or  $C_{1\text{-}}$ C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

 $R_{21}$ ,  $R_{22}$ , and  $R_{23}$  are each independently hydrogen or  $C_1\text{-}C_3$ linear alkyl; and d is 3 or 4;

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R<sub>1</sub> is a) hydrogen;

b) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl optionally mono- or di-substituted with hydroxy; or

c)

wherein

each  $R_{24}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl; each  $R_{25}$ , and  $R_{26}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;

t is 0 or 1; and

q is 0 or 1;

 $R_2$  is a group selected from (a) – (jj):

(a) 
$$\qquad --(CH_2)_z --(CR_{2728}R)_z$$

(b) 
$$(M)_h$$
  $(CR_{29\ 30u}$ 

(d) 
$$-(CR_{33}R_{3})_1$$
  $(R_{64})_h$ 

(e) 
$$-(CR_{35}R_{30})_{j}$$
  $(R_{65})_{r}$ 

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q) 
$$-(CR_{98}R_{99})_{v}$$
  $-N_{85}$   $-(R_{97})_{v}$ 

s) 
$$(O)_{aa}$$
  $(R_{100}R_{101})_{w}$   $(O)_{aa}$   $(O)_{aa}$   $(O)_{aa}$ 

u) 
$$-(CR_{105}R_{106})_{w}N-R_{107}$$

x)

bb) 
$$R_{121}$$
  $CR_{19}R_{20}$   $X_3$ 

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gg)
$$--(CR_{133}R_{134w}-S-(CR_{135}R_{136})_{q}$$
 $X_{4}$ 

ii)
$$-(CR_{39}R_{140})_{j} + N$$

wherein

each R<sub>27</sub> and R<sub>28</sub> is independently selected from:

- (1) hydrogen;
- (2) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;
- (3) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy;
- (4)  $-CO_2$ -R<sub>43</sub> wherein R<sub>43</sub> is hydrogen or  $C_1$ -C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;
- (5) hydroxy;
- (6)  $-(CH_2)_a$ -OR<sub>44</sub> wherein a is 1, 2 or 3 and R<sub>44</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;
- (7) –(CO)-NR<sub>45</sub>R<sub>46</sub>
  wherein R<sub>45</sub> and R<sub>46</sub> are each independently hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, or R<sub>45</sub> and R<sub>46</sub> taken together form a 5-membered monocyclic ring;

z is 0 or 1; e is 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 or 7; h is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

u is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4;

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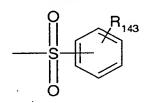
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I is 0 or 1;
j is 0, 1, 2 or 3;
v is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4;
w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;
f is 1, 2, 3 or 4;
t is 0 or 1 as hereinbefore defined;
b is 0, 1 or 2;
q is 0 or 1as hereinbefore defined;
aa is 0 or 2;

X is O, S or NR<sub>90</sub> wherein R<sub>90</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, or



wherein R<sub>143</sub> is hydrogen or alkyl;

each M and V is a group independently selected from hydrogen, halogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy, trifluoromethyl, hydroxy, phenyl, phenoxy, -SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub> or

-NR<sub>48</sub>R<sub>49</sub> wherein R<sub>48</sub> and R<sub>49</sub> are each independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl;

each R<sub>31</sub>, R<sub>32</sub>, R<sub>33</sub>, R<sub>34</sub>, R<sub>35</sub>, R<sub>36</sub>, R<sub>37</sub>, R<sub>38</sub>, R<sub>39</sub>, R<sub>40</sub>, R<sub>68</sub>, and R<sub>69</sub> is independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; each R<sub>29</sub>, R<sub>30</sub> is independently hydrogen, phenyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; each R<sub>83</sub>, R<sub>84</sub>, R<sub>86</sub>, R<sub>87</sub>, R<sub>88</sub>, R<sub>89</sub>, R<sub>92</sub>, R<sub>93</sub>, R<sub>98</sub>, R<sub>99</sub>, R<sub>94</sub>, R<sub>95</sub>, R<sub>100</sub>, R<sub>101</sub>, R<sub>103</sub>, R<sub>104</sub>, R<sub>105</sub>, R<sub>106</sub>, R<sub>108</sub>, R<sub>109</sub>, R<sub>110</sub>, R<sub>111</sub>,

R<sub>113</sub>, R<sub>114</sub>, R<sub>115</sub>, R<sub>116</sub>, R<sub>117</sub>, R<sub>118</sub>, R<sub>119</sub>, R<sub>120</sub>, R<sub>122</sub>, R<sub>123</sub>,

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$$\begin{split} &R_{124},\,R_{125},\,R_{127},\,R_{128},\,R_{130},\,R_{131},\,R_{133},\,R_{134},\,R_{135},\,R_{136},\\ &R_{137},\,R_{138},\,R_{139}\,\text{and}\,\,R_{140} \text{ is independently hydrogen or}\,\,C_{1}\text{-}\\ &C_{6}\text{alkyl};\\ &\text{each}\,\,R_{63},\,R_{64}\,\text{and}\,\,R_{65} \text{ is independently hydrogen, halogen,}\\ &C_{1}\text{-}C_{6}\text{alkyl} \text{ or}\,\,C_{1}\text{-}C_{6}\text{alkoxy}; \end{split}$$

each R<sub>66</sub> is independently hydrogen, hydroxy,

C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy;

Q is CH<sub>2</sub>, CHOH or C=O;

X<sub>5</sub> is O or S;

each  $R_{67}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;  $R_{70}$  is hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl, halogen, nitro or a phenyl group optionally mono-substituted with  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl, halogen or trifluoromethyl;

 $R_{81}$  is hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl, or - $CO_2C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;  $R_{91}$  is hydrogen, halogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy;  $R_{96}$  is hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or

wherein  $R_{145}$  and  $R_{146}$  are each independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl and b is 0, 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined;

R<sub>97</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; each R<sub>102</sub> is independently hydrogen, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy; R<sub>107</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

each R<sub>121</sub> is independently hydrogen, halogen,

 $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy;

R<sub>127</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

R<sub>126</sub> is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or benzyl;

R<sub>129</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

R<sub>132</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, halogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy;

 $X_3$  is O or -NR<sub>127</sub> wherein R<sub>127</sub> is hydrogen or

C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

 $X_4$  is O, S or -NR<sub>143</sub> wherein R<sub>143</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

R<sub>141</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or amino;

 $R_{142}$  is benzyl or phenyl each of which may be optionally substituted with  $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkyl, halogen or  $C_1\text{-}C_6$ alkoxy;

R<sub>144</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

 $R_{85}$  is hydrogen,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl, - $CO_2$ C<sub>1</sub>- $C_6$ alkyl, C(O)C<sub>1</sub>- $C_6$ alkyl or a group selected from the following:

c) 
$$(CR_{150}R_{151})_{w}$$
  $(CR_{152}R_{153})_{e}$ 

wherein

j is 0, 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined; w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined; m is 0, 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined; e is 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 or 7 as hereinbefore defined; each  $R_{147}$ ,  $R_{148}$ ,  $R_{150}$ ,  $R_{151}$ ,  $R_{152}$ ,  $R_{153}$ ,  $R_{156}$ ,  $R_{157}$ ,  $R_{159}$ ,  $R_{160}$   $R_{162}$  and  $R_{163}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;

R<sub>149</sub> is hydrogen, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, phenoxy, trifluoromethyl or trifluoromethoxy;

R<sub>155</sub> is hydrogen, halogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

R<sub>158</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

R<sub>161</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

R<sub>164</sub> is hydrogen, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or trifluoromethyl;

R<sub>165</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or halogen;

 $X_7$  is O or S or -NR<sub>167</sub> wherein R<sub>167</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

R<sub>166</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

or R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> are joined together to form a 5-, 6-, or 7-membered monocyclic saturated ring, and in which the ring is optionally mono- or di-substituted, the substituents independently selected from:

- (1)  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;
- (2)  $-CO_2$ -( $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl);
- (3) –NR<sub>50</sub>R<sub>51</sub> wherein R<sub>50</sub> and R<sub>51</sub> are each independently hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, or a phenyl group which is optionally mono- or disubstituted with substituents independently selected from C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, halogen or trifluoromethyl;
- (4) -C(O)phenyl wherein the phenyl group is optionally mono- or disubstituted with substituents independently selected from C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, halogen or trifluoromethyl;
- (5) –(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>OR<sub>52</sub> wherein R<sub>52</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl or a phenyl group which is optionally mono- or disubstituted with substituents independently selected from C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, halogen or trifluoromethyl, and m is 0, 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined;
- (6) -NR<sub>54</sub>-COR<sub>53</sub> wherein R<sub>54</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl and R<sub>53</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl;
- (7) = 0;
- (8) –CN;

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(9)

$$(CR_{55}R_{56})_{i}$$

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wherein

b is 0, 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined;

w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

t is 0 or 1 as hereinbefore defined;

i is 0, 1 or 2;

v is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4 as hereinbefore defined;

k is 0 or 1 as hereinbefore defined;

c are 0, 1 or 2;

R<sub>167</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

each  $R_{55}$ ,  $R_{56}$ ,  $R_{58}$ ,  $R_{59}$ ,  $R_{169}$  and  $R_{170}$  is independently

hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

each R<sub>57</sub> is independently hydrogen, halogen or

C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

each R<sub>60</sub> is independently hydrogen, halogen or

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C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

 $R_{61}$  and  $R_{62}$  are each independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;

R<sub>168</sub> is hydrogen, thienyl or furanyl;

R<sub>171</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, halogen, trifluoromethyl or trifluoromethoxy;

or  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are joined together to form a group of formula X;

$$-N$$
  $(X)$ 

or  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are joined together to form the group of formula (Y)

$$-N$$
 $CH_3$ 
 $CH_3$ 
 $CH_3$ 

or R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> are joined together to form any of the following groups:

(a)

(b)

(c)

(d)

(e)

$$-N$$

wherein

g is 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined; p is 0, 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined;

R<sub>172</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy;

R<sub>173</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or phenyl optionally mono- or disubstituted with C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or halogen; and

R<sub>82</sub> is a substituent selected from the following groups:

- (a)  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl optionally substituted with hydroxy;
- (b) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkenyl;
- (c) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy;
- (d)  $-(CH_2)OC_1-C_6$ alkyl;
- (e)

$$-X_{8}$$
 $(R_{174})$ 

wherein X is -(CR<sub>175</sub>R<sub>175</sub>R<sub>176</sub> or -----(CR<sub>177</sub>=CR<sub>188</sub>-----

wherein each R<sub>174</sub> is independently hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, halogen, trifluoromethyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy or benzyloxy;

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h is 0, 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined; each R<sub>175</sub>, R<sub>176</sub>, R<sub>177</sub> and R<sub>178</sub> is independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; and j is 0, 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

wherein 
$$X_9$$
 is -( $CR_{180}R_{187}$ )- or ----- ( $CR_{184}R_{185}CR_{186}=CR_{187}$ )----- or ----- ( $CR_{182}=CR_{183}$ )-----

wherein

aa is 0 or 2 as hereinbefore defined; R<sub>179</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, halogen, trifluoromethyl,

C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, benzyloxy or phenyl; each R<sub>180</sub>, R<sub>181</sub>, R<sub>182</sub>, R<sub>183</sub>, R<sub>184</sub>, R<sub>185</sub>, R<sub>186</sub> and R<sub>187</sub> is independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

j is 0, 1, 2, or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

wherein w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined; each R<sub>188</sub> and R<sub>189</sub> is independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

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(h)

$$-(CR_{191}R_{192})_{b}$$

## wherein

i is 0, 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined; each R<sub>190</sub> is independently hydrogen, alkyl or halogen; b is 0, 1, or 2 as hereinbefore defined; each R<sub>191</sub> and R<sub>192</sub> is independently

(i)

(j)

$$-(CR_{193}R_{194})_a$$

hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

## wherein

a is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined; each R<sub>193</sub> and R<sub>194</sub> is independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; R<sub>195</sub> is hydrogen, halogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

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## wherein

e is 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6 as hereinbefore defined; b is 0, 1 or 2 as hereinbefore defined; each  $R_{196}$  and  $R_{197}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl; each  $R_{198}$  and  $R_{199}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl;

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**(I)** 

$$---(CR200R20) --- N --- C6alkyl$$

wherein

each  $R_{200}$  and  $R_{201}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_{1}$ - $C_{6}$ alkyl; w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

(m)

$$---(CR_{202}R_{203})_{w}$$
  $---NR_{204}R_{205}$ 

wherein

each  $R_{202}$ ,  $R_{203}$ ,  $R_{204}$  and  $R_{205}$  is independently hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl; and w is 1, 2 or 3 is as hereinbefore defined;

(n)

$$---(CR206R207)w-OC1-C6alkyl$$

wherein

 $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl is optionally substituted with hydroxy; each  $R_{206}$  and  $R_{207}$  is independently

hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; and w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

(o)

wherein

each R<sub>208</sub>, R<sub>209</sub>, R<sub>210</sub> and R<sub>211</sub> is independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl; w is 1, 2 or 3 as hereinbefore defined;

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with the proviso that when n is 1; and y is 0; and R₃ is hydrogen or C₁-C₅alkyl;

is group (a),

and R is group:

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- (a) wherein R<sub>4</sub> is hydrogen, halogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, and R<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen or unsubstituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, then R<sub>2</sub> cannot be a group of the following formula:
  - (a) wherein z is 0,
  - (b) wherein u is 0 and M is hydrogen, halogen, C₁-C₀alkyl, or trifluoromethyl,
  - (c) wherein o is 0,
  - (d) wherein I is 0,
  - (e) wherein j is 0,
  - (g) wherein v is 0, or
  - (i);

and also when R is the group of formula (a), R1 and R2 cannot be joined together to form the group of formula Y or a 5-, 6-, or 7-membered monocyclic ring

wherein said ring is unsubstituted or mono- or di-substituted with C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl;

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(b) and R<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen or unsubstituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, then R<sub>2</sub> cannot be a group of the following formula:

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- (a),
- (b),
- (d) wherein I is 0,
- (k),
- (I), or

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(m) wherein Q is CH2;

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and also when R is the group of formula (b),  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  cannot be joined together to form a group of formula X or a group of formula Y or a 5-, 6-, or 7-membered monocyclic ring

wherein said ring is unsubstituted or mono- or di-substituted with  $C_1$ -  $C_6$ alkyl or

- (d) and R<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen or unsubstituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, then R<sub>2</sub> cannot be a group of the following formula:
  - (a),
  - (b) wherein u is 1,
  - (d),
  - (k),
  - (I), or
  - (m) wherein Q is CH<sub>2</sub>;

and also when R is the group of formula (d), R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> cannot be joined together to form a group of formula X or a group of formula Y or a 5-, 6-, or 7-membered monocyclic ring

wherein said ring is unsubstituted or mono- or di-substituted with  $C_1$ -  $C_6$ alkyl or

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- (e) and R<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen or unsubstituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, then R<sub>2</sub> cannot be a group of the following formula:
  - (a),
  - (b),
  - (d),
  - (k),
  - (l), or

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(m) wherein Q is CH<sub>2</sub>;

and also when R is the group of formula (e), R1 and R2 cannot be joined together to form a group of formula X or a group of formula Y or a 5-, 6-, or 7membered monocyclic ring

wherein said ring is unsubstituted or mono- or di-substituted with C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or

- (f) and R₁ is hydrogen or unsubstituted C₁-C₀alkyl, then R₂ cannot be a group of the following formula:
  - (a),
  - (b),
  - (d),
  - (k),
  - (l), or
  - (m) wherein Q is CH<sub>2</sub>;

and also when R is the group of formula (f), R1 and R2 cannot be joined together to form a group of formula X or a group of formula Y or a 5-, 6-, or 7membered monocyclic ring

wherein said ring is unsubstituted or mono- or di-substituted with C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl or

- (g) and R₁ is hydrogen or unsubstituted C₁-C₀alkyl, then R₂ cannot be a group of the following formula:
  - (a),
  - (b) wherein u is1,
  - (d),

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- (k),
- (I), or
- (m) wherein Q is CH2;

and also when R is the group of formula (g), R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> cannot be joined together to form a group of formula X or a group of formula Y or a 5-, 6-, or 7-membered monocyclic ring

wherein said ring is unsubstituted or mono- or di-substituted with  $C_1$ -  $C_6$ alkyl or

- (h) and R<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen or unsubstituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, then R<sub>2</sub> cannot be a group of the following formula:
  - (a),
  - (b),
  - (d),
  - (k),
  - (l), or
  - (m) wherein Q is CH2;

and also when R is the group of formula (h),  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  cannot be joined together to form a group of formula X or a group of formula Y or a 5-, 6-, or 7-membered monocyclic ring

wherein said ring is unsubstituted or mono- or di-substituted with  $C_1$ -  $C_6$ alkyl or

$$(CR_{58}R_{59})_{k}$$
 ; or

(j), then R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> cannot be joined together to form a group of formula Y or a 5-, 6-, or 7-membered monocyclic ring

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wherein said ring is unsubstituted or mono- or di-substituted with  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl.

- 47. The method of claim 46, wherein the central nervous system disorder is selected from Psychotic Disorders, Substance Dependence, Substance Abuse, Dyskinetic Disorders, Dementia, Anxiety Disorders, Sleep Disorders, Circadian Rhythm Disorders, Mood Disorders and Nausea.
  - 48. The method of claim 47 wherein the Psychotic Disorder is Schizophrenia.
  - 49. The method of claim 48 wherein the compound of formula IB is administered in conjunction with one or more dopamine  $D_1$ ,  $D_2$ ,  $D_4$ ,  $D_5$ , or 5HT receptor antagonists.
  - 50. A pharmaceutical composition comprising an effective amount of a compound of claim 1 with a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier or diluent.
  - 51. A pharmaceutical composition comprising an effective amount of a compound of claim 1 with a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier or diluent in conjunction with one or more dopamine D<sub>1</sub>, D<sub>2</sub>, D<sub>4</sub>, D<sub>5</sub> or 5HT receptor antagonists.
  - 52. A depot pharmaceutical composition, which comprises a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1, wherein the compound contains an acylated hydroxy group, or an acylated amino group.
- 53. The depot pharmaceutical composition of claim 52, wherein the hydroxy group is acylated, or the amino group is acylated with (C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>)alkanoyl group or a (C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>)alkoxycarbonyl group.
  - 54. The composition of claim 52 which contains a pharmaceutically acceptable oil.
  - 55. The composition of claim 54 wherein the oil is selected from the group consisting of coconut oil, peanut oil, sesame oil, cotton seed oil, corn oil, soybean oil, olive oil, and synthetic esters of fatty acids and polyfunctional alcohols.

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- 56. A method for providing a long acting antipsychotic effect, which comprises injecting into a mammal an amount of the composition of claim 52 sufficient to produce a long acting antipsychotic effect.
- 5 57. A method for providing a long acting antipsychotic effect, which comprises injecting into a mammal an amount of the composition of claim 53 sufficient to product a long acting antipsychotic effect.
- 58. A method for providing a long acting antipsychotic effect, which comprises injecting into a mammal an amount of the composition of claim 54 sufficient to produce a long acting antipsychotic effect.
  - 59. A compound of claim 1 wherein one or more of the atoms contained therein is a radionuclide.
  - 60. A compound of claim 59 wherein R is group (a), with a radiolabeled  $^{14}$ C in the 3-position of the benzo[b]thiophene ring,  $R_4$  is trifluoromethyl, s is 1,  $R_3$  is hydrogen, n is 1, y is 0, and A is N.
  - 61. A diagnostic method for monitoring neuronal functions in a mammal comprising introducing into a mammal a radiolabeled compound according to claim 59.
  - 62. The method of claim 61 wherein said diagnostic method is performed using single positron emission computed tomography.
    - 63. A process for preparing a compound of formula I of claim 1 which comprises:
    - (a) reacting a compound of formula (II):

R-A (N)

wherein R<sub>3</sub>, g, y, R, A and n are as defined in formula I of claim 1;

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with a compound of formula (III)

wherein "LG" is a suitable leaving group selected from chlorine, bromine, iodine and

mesyl; and

is as defined in formula I of claim 1;

to provide a compound of formula (IV)

$$R-A$$
 $(IV)$ 
 $(IV)$ 

(b) hydrolyzing a compound of formula (IV) to provide a compound of formula (V)

and (c) reacting a compound of formula (V) with a compound of formula (VI)

wherein  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are as defined in formula (I) of claim 1; to provide the compound of formula (I).

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- 64. A process for preparing compounds of formula I of claim 1 which comprises:
- (a) reacting a compound of formula (VII)

$$LG - B - N - R_1$$

$$(VII)$$

wherein "LG" is a suitable leaving group selected from chlorine, bromine, iodine and

, R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> are as defined in formula I of claim 1;

with a compound of formula (II)

wherein R<sub>3</sub>, g, y, R, A and n are as defined in formula I of claim 1;

to provide th compound of formula (I).

65. A process for preparing a compound of formula (VIII)

comprising the steps of:

a) contacting a compound of formula (IX)

with a reagent of formula (X)

to provide a compound of formula (XI)

- (b) treating the compound of formula (XI) with triphenylphosphine followed by bromine to provide the compound of formula (VIII).
- 10 66. A process for preparing a compound of formula (XII)

comprising the step of coupling a compound of formula (XIII)

with a compound of formula (XIV)

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to provide the compound of formula (XII).

- 5 67. A method of treating renal dysfunction which comprises administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1.
  - 68. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (a).
- 10 69. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (b).
  - 70. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (c).
  - 71. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (d).
  - 72. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (e).
  - 73. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (f).
- 20 74. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (g).
  - 75. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (h).
  - 76. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (i).
  - 77. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (j).
  - 78. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (k).
- 30 79. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (I).
  - 80. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (m).

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- 81. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (n).82. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (o).
- 83. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (p).
- 84. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (q).
- 10 85. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (r).
  - 86. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (s).
  - 87. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (t).
  - 88. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (u).
  - 89. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (v).
  - 90. The compound of claim 1 wherein R is (w).